General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 912

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:
(GL)

AN ACT AUTHORIZING FLAVORING AGENTS FOR PRESCRIPTION PRODUCTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2011*) (a) For purposes of this section, "flavoring agent" means an additive used in food or drugs when such additive: (1) Is used in accordance with good manufacturing practice principles and in the minimum quantity required to produce its intended effect, (2) consists of one or more ingredients generally recognized as safe in food and drugs, has been previously sanctioned for use in food and drugs by the state or the federal government, meets United States Pharmacopeia standards or is an additive permitted for direct addition to food for human consumption pursuant to 21 CFR 172, (3) is inert and produces no effect other than the instillation or modification of flavor, and (4) is not greater than five per cent of the total weight of the product.

(b) A flavoring agent may be added to a prescription product by a pharmacist upon the request of the prescribing practitioner, patient for whom the prescription is ordered or such patient's agent.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	*July 1, 2011*	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the addition of flavoring agents to prescription products, subject to certain conditions.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]